Grade Level Readiness Report



HELPING STUDENTS GROW

A guide to understanding the MEtoBE Grade Level Readiness Report

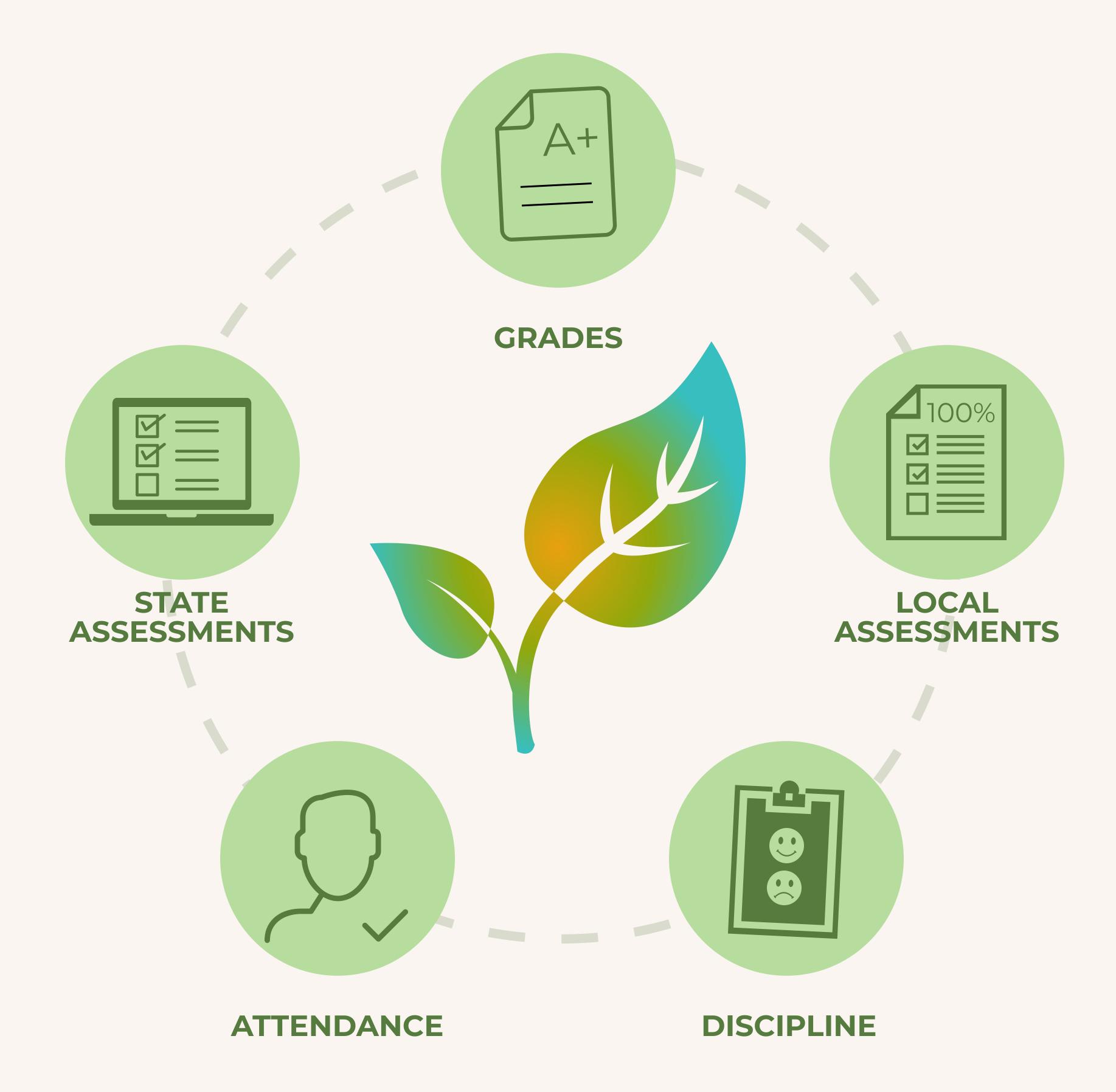


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GROWTH MINDSET

The purpose of the MEtoBE report is to help students continue to grow academically and social-emotionally. Because one measure does not tell the whole story, Madera Unified has packaged multiple data points into one booklet to help students, teachers, and parents better understand a student's academic standing.



A growth mindset is believing that where you are today is just a starting point for development.

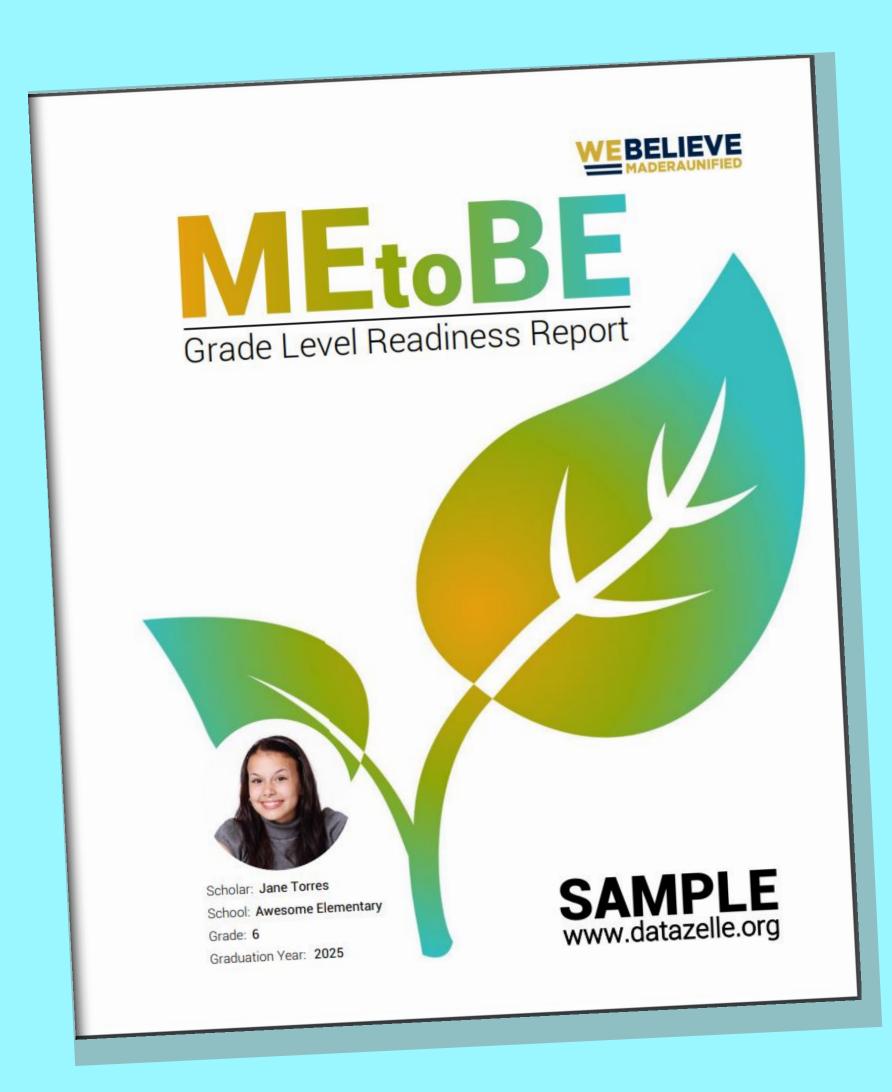
What is the MEtoBE Report?

The MEtoBE report is an individualized booklet containing multiple data points that make up a student's grade level readiness score. The report contains four sections.



OVERVIEW

The overview section features a brief visual summary of the report's contents so that the reader can analyze a student's performance at a glance. There are three key elements in this section: the Multiple Measures Map, the Overall Readiness Meter, and the College Tracker.





ENGAGEMENT

The engagement section includes student information on attendance and discipline. For students to perform well in class and on exams, they must be present to learn and free from distractions.



ACADEMICS

The academics section includes state and local assessment results, grades, and reading and language assessment results.

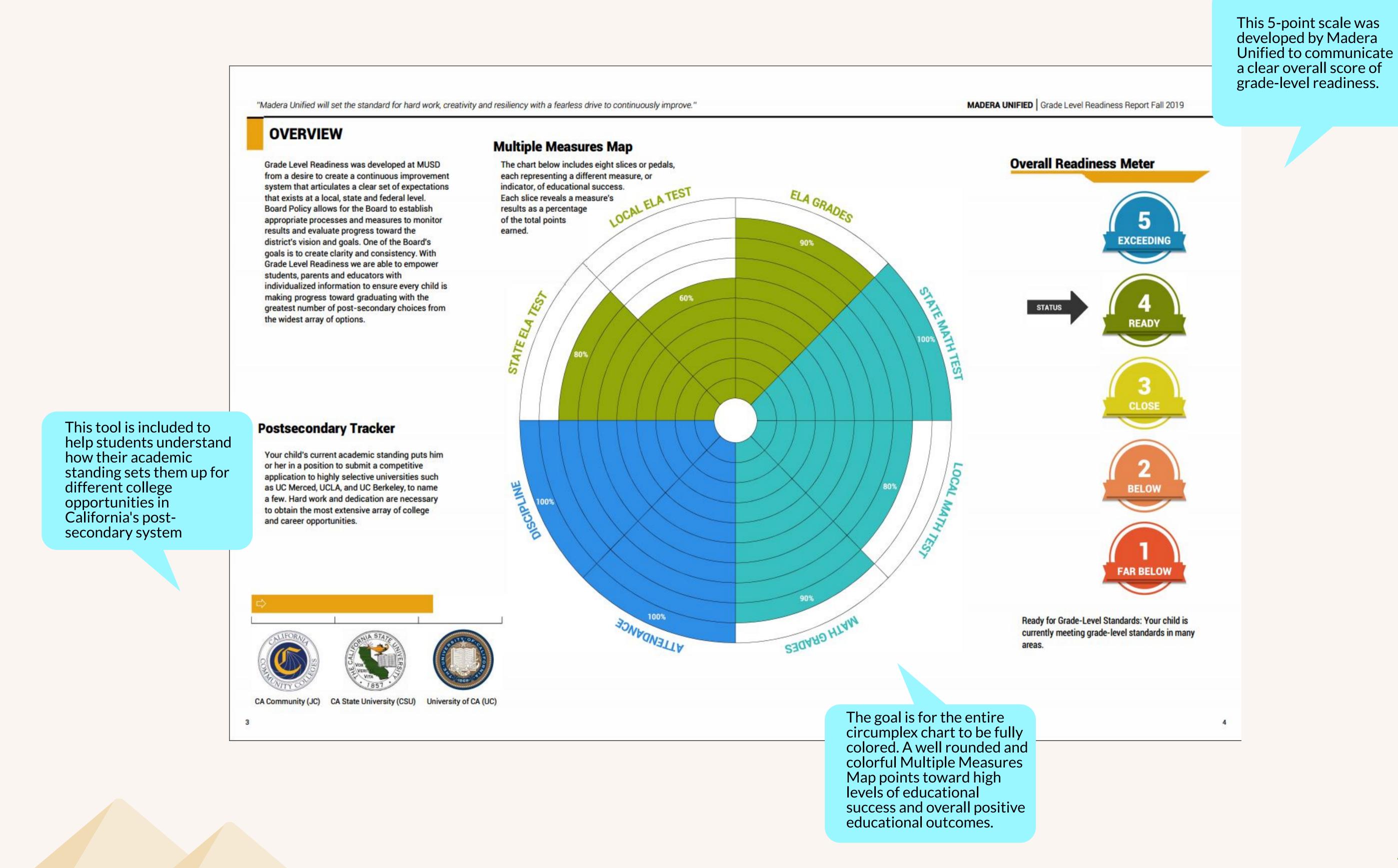


EXPECTATIONS

The expectations section includes three helpful tools for parents. The sample ELA and Math test questions provided by the Smarter Balanced Consortium, questions provided by the California Department of Education to empower parents to ask questions during parent-teacher conferences, and list of resources Madera Unified offers to help students and parents.

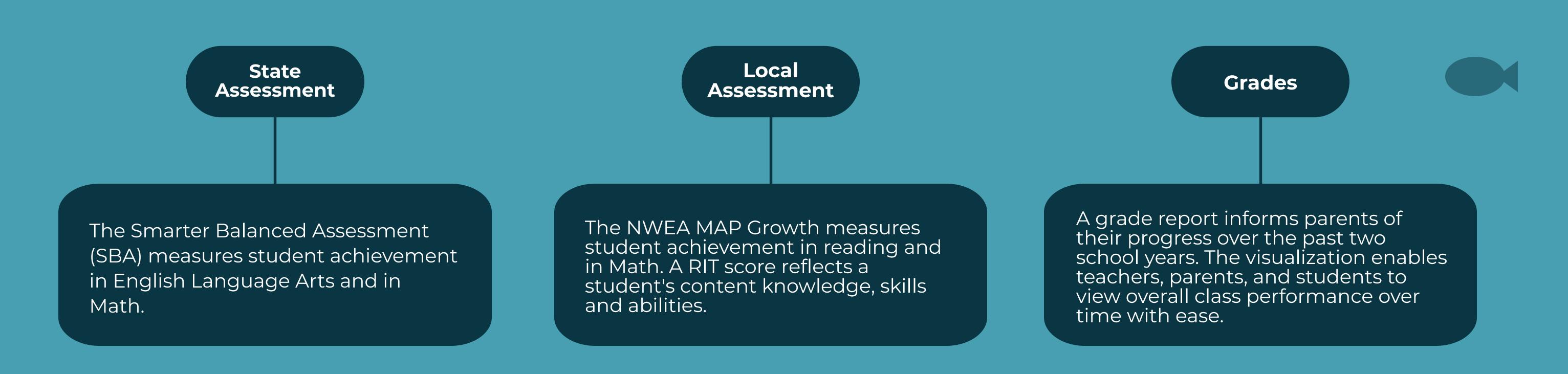
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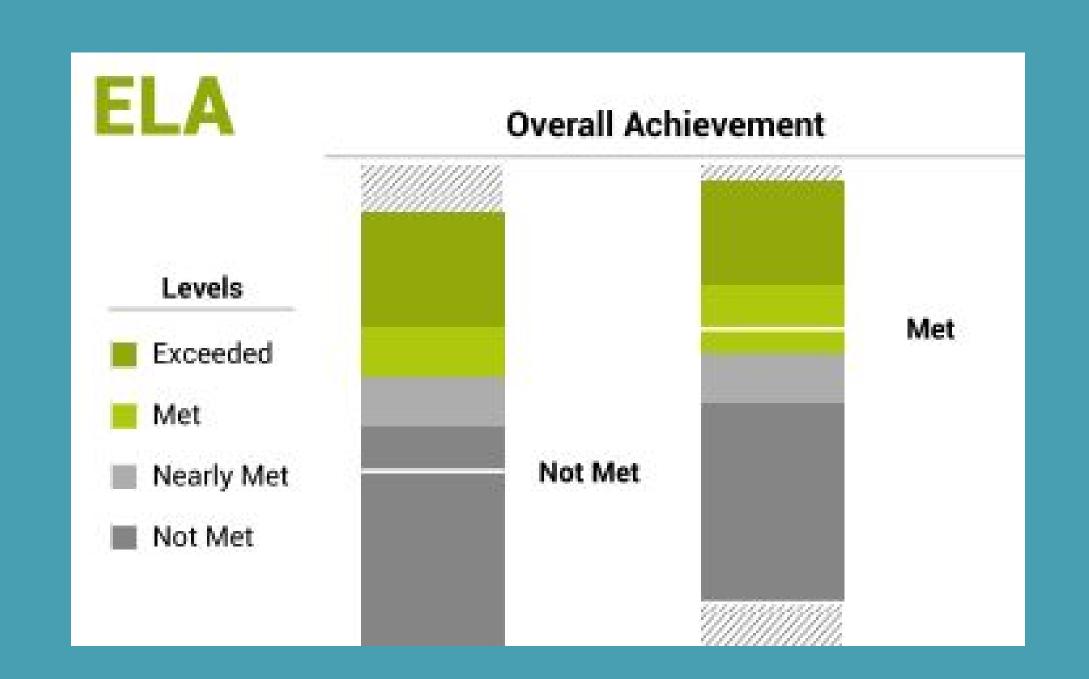
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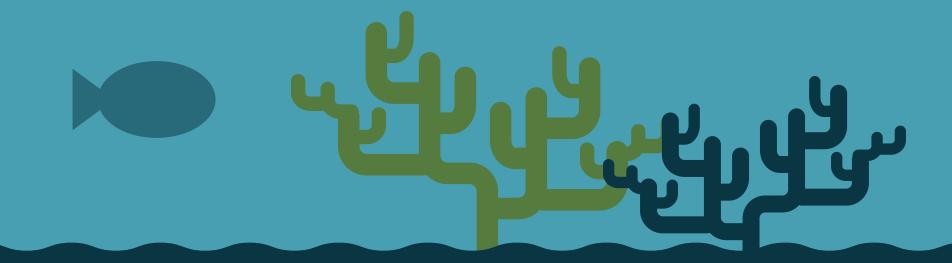
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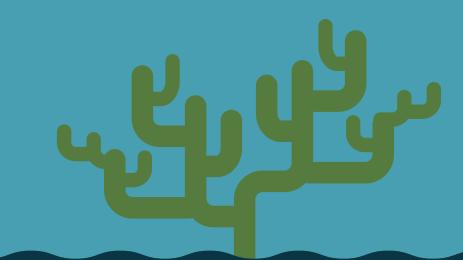


How to Read the Charts

A white line across each column represents the student's score for both the previous testing year as well as the most recent year (highlighted in orange). For example, a white line cutting across the upper, dark green section of a column indicates that a student has "exceeded" the standard expectations for their grade level. A white line cutting across the light gray section of a column shows that a student "nearly met" the standard. The values within the parentheses below each column display the distance from standard. The distance from standard is a calculation that measures how far above or below a student is from meeting the minimum score needed to achieve "met" standard. Other academic assessments in the MEtoBE report such as the NWEA and reading assessment utilize this distance from standard calculation. The tables to the right of the colored columns provide readers with a closer look into performance on the different domains within the test.

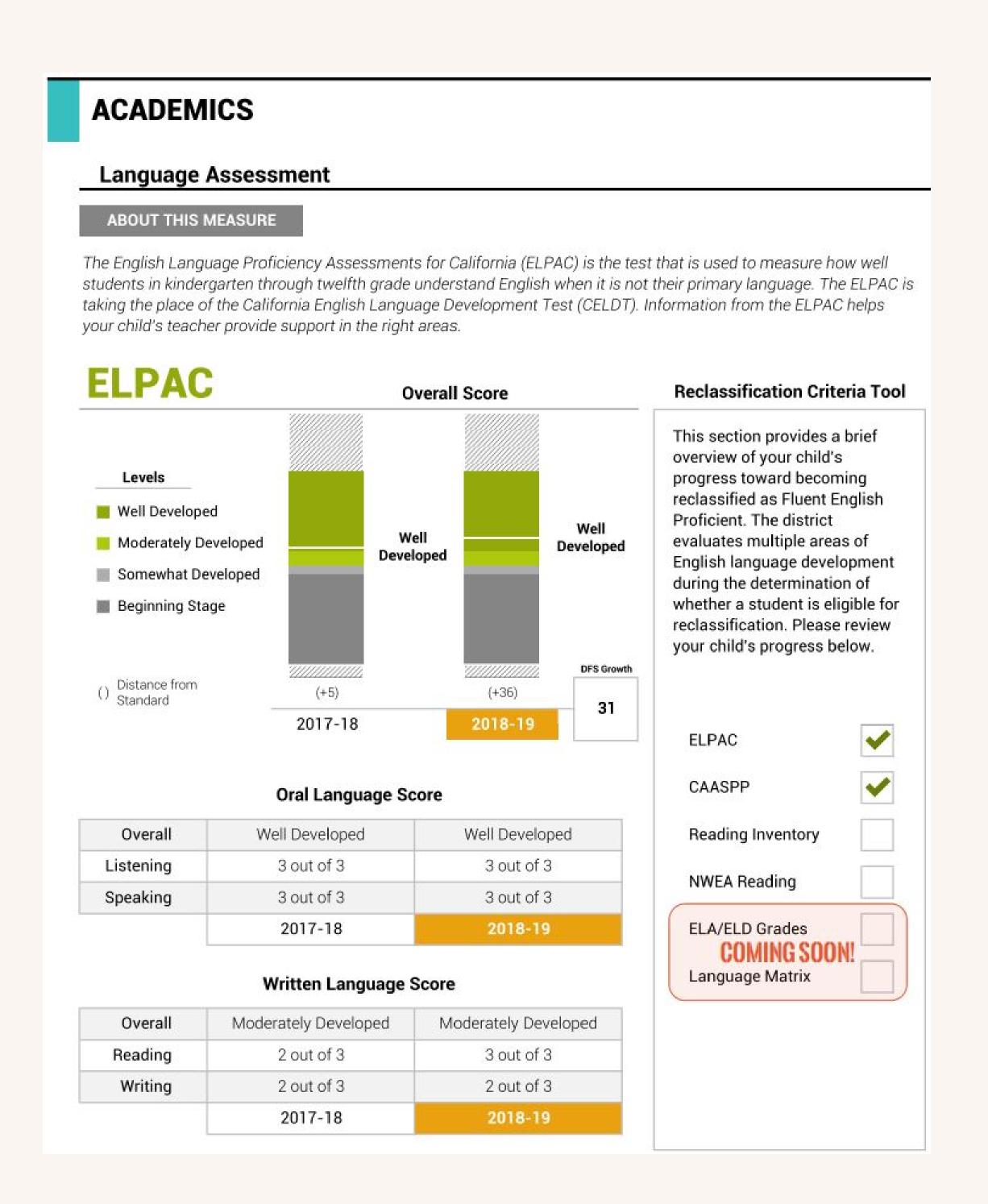






ENGLISH LEARNER ONLY PAGE

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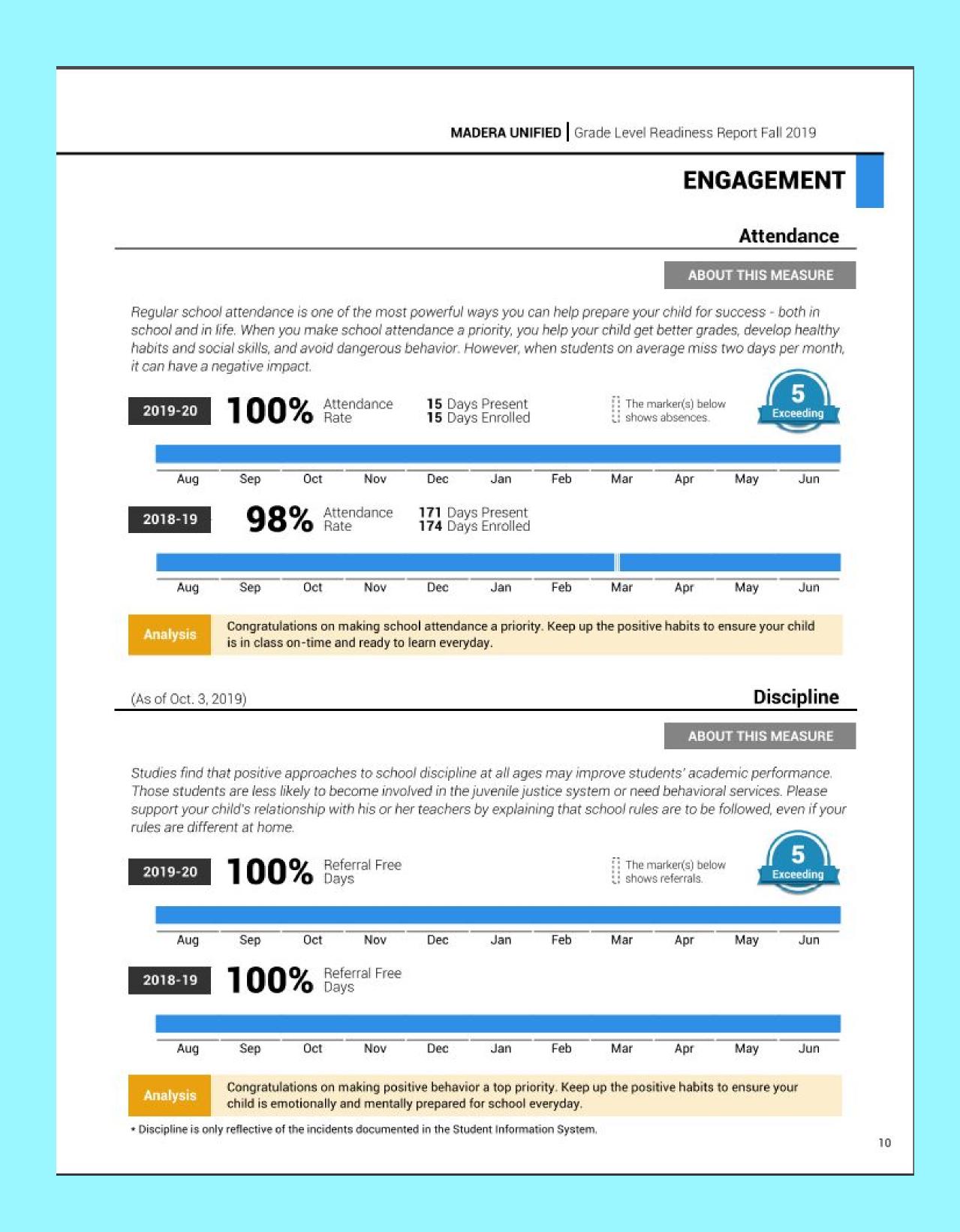
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Attendance

Regular school attendance is one of the most powerful ways parents can help prepare their child for success. A high number of absences can put a student at risk academically. For these reasons, we have included attendance as a measure of educational success. The attendance rate is calculated by taking the number of days present and dividing it by the number of days the student was enrolled.

Discipline

Discipline makes up the other half of the engagement section. Because repeated disciplinary issues can cause significant distractions from learning, we consider performance in this area as a valuable measure for educational success. The disciplinary score is calculated by taking the number of referral free days enrolled and dividing it by the total number of days the student was enrolled.



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Sample Test Questions

The sample ELA and Math questions are provided by the Smarter Balanced Consortium and students will likely encounter similar types of questions when they take the test towards the end of the year. Parents may be surprised by the types of questions their child is expected to answer on the California state test.

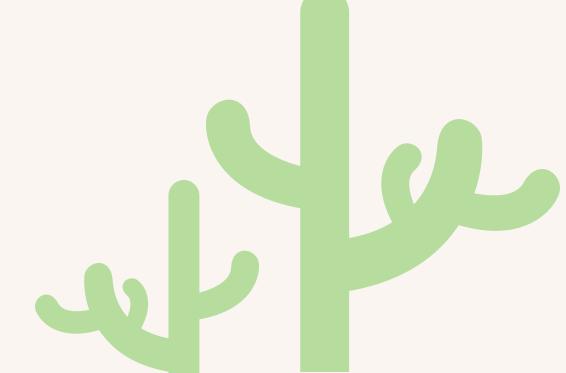
Questions to Ask During Parent Conference

The questions have been provided by the California Department of Education to empower parents to ask questions pertaining to their child's education. When parents and teachers work together as a team, children do better in school. The parent-teacher conference is an ideal time to get the partnership started. Parent conferences should be a two-way conversation.

List of District Supports and Resources

Madera Unified offers the following resources as well as several Parent Resource Center locations to help students and parents.





Madera Unified School District

Madera Unified created the MEtoBE report with the district's three goals in mind. These three goals are:

- 1) to create clarity and consistency in everything we do
- 2) changing people's perceptions and mindsets
- 3) continuously striving for excellence in everything that we do.

